

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEAGUE OF KANSAS MUNICIPALITIES**

This is an outstanding opportunity to become Executive Director of a progressive association of municipalities that is very stable and highly respected. The mission of the League shall be to unify, strengthen, and advocate for the interests of Kansas municipalities and to promote the quality of life of the people who live within Kansas cities.

The LKM Board of Directors is seeking a business and results-oriented leader to join the team and assist the Board in developing and achieving its vision for the future of LKM.

The current Executive Director has announced his retirement effective December 31, 2013, and will be leaving a 14 year legacy of very successful service in the position. The next leader will be instrumental in shaping the priorities and organizational alignment for the continued success of LKM for the future.

The successful candidate should possess a BS/BA in Public/Business Administration, Political Science or a related field, with related MS/MA preferred. Other professional degrees will also be considered. Also required is substantial experience in public policy administration and/or a combination of business/public administration. Experience as a lobbyist would be helpful or any equivalent combination of training/experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities will be considered. Evidence of continued professional development also desired.

The successful candidate should be a person with integrity and infectious enthusiasm for cities and towns. Experience with Kansas municipalities would be a plus.

The Executive Director is appointed by and reports to the seventeen-member LKM Board of Directors. The Executive Director performs highly professional supervisory, administrative and analytical public policy and advocacy work on behalf of members of the LKM. The Executive Director also provides direction and oversight to the administration of services arm of the League.

LKM is a quasi-governmental agency which has been established by Kansas law. It serves as the primary representative for cities in the Kansas Legislature. The LKM policy process is open to all city officials and provides numerous opportunities for issues to be considered and debated among the membership. LKM has a full-time staff of 13 and an annual operating budget of \$1,778,000. The League owns its own building located at 300 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Topeka.

There have been seven Executive Directors of LKM since its founding in 1910. The current Executive Director, Don Moler, has served as Executive Director for the past 14 years. He has announced his intention to retire at the end of December, 2013.

The League officers recently reviewed and updated the LKM Strategic Plan and addressee four critical issues. For additional information, visit the LKM website at [www.lkm.org](http://www.lkm.org).

The starting salary for will be market competitive, DOQ/E, plus benefits and reasonable relocation expenses.

Confidential resumes should be sent by close of business **January 6, 2014**, to **James Mercer, President/CEO, The Mercer Group, Inc., 1000 Cordova Place, #726, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Voice: 505-466-9500; Fax: 505-466-1274. E-Mail: [jmerc@mercergroupinc.com](mailto:jmerc@mercergroupinc.com), Website: [www.mercergroupinc.com](http://www.mercergroupinc.com)**

**It is expected that interviews of finalist candidates will be conducted later in January, 2014. EOE**

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